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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
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In re Application of:	Dietmar Wolter
U.S. Nat'l Stage of Int'l App. No.:	PCT/EP00/08999
Int'l Filing Date:	9/14/2000
For:	FIXATION SYSTEM FOR BONES

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ATTN: EO/US

1. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Docket No.: H01.2-10378

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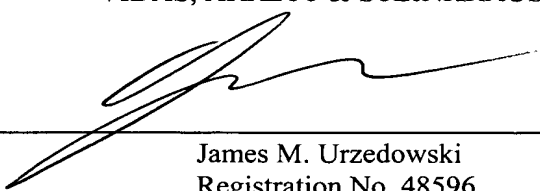
1. In regard to the above-identified application, we are submitting the attached:
Response to Notice of Missing Requirements; Notice of Missing Requirements; executed Declaration; VAS transmittal Letter; and Postcard.
2. With respect to fees:
 - ☐ No additional fee is required.
 - ☒ Attached is check(s) in the amount of \$ 130.00.
 - ☐ Charge additional fee to our Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

CONDITIONAL PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

3. This conditional petition is being filed along with the papers identified in Item 1 above and provides for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time. If any extension of time for the accompanying response is required, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.
4. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

VIDAS, ARRETT & STEINKRAUS

Date: July 8, 2002 By:


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Certificate Under 37 CFR 1.10: I hereby certify that this Transmittal Letter and the paper(s) as described herein, are being deposited in the U.S. Postal Service, as EXPRESS MAIL, Label No. EV106145315US, addressed to Box PCT, Commissioner for Patents, Washington D.C. 20231, on July 8, 2002.


JULIE EMERSON

FORM PTO-1390 (REV 10-94) U.S. Dept. of Commerce and Patent and Trademark Office TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER: H01.2-10378
		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known): 10/070862
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.: PCT/EP00/08999	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE (14.09.00): 14 September 2000	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED (dd/mm/yy): 14 September 1999 (14.09.99)
TITLE OF INVENTION: FIXATION SYSTEM FOR BONES		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US: Dietmar Wolter; Uwe Schumann, Klaus Seide		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5.	<input type="checkbox"/>	A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States receiving Office (RO/US).
6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).
7.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.
8.	<input type="checkbox"/>	A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	An oath or declaration of the inventor (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10.	<input type="checkbox"/>	A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).
Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included:		
11.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12.	<input type="checkbox"/>	An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.29 and 3.31 is included.
13.	<input type="checkbox"/>	A FIRST preliminary amendment. Please enter the amendment before fee calculation.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
14.	<input type="checkbox"/>	A substitute specification.
15.	<input type="checkbox"/>	A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
16.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other items or information: Correspondence Address document; Con. Petition

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**CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND FEE
AUTHORIZATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3)**

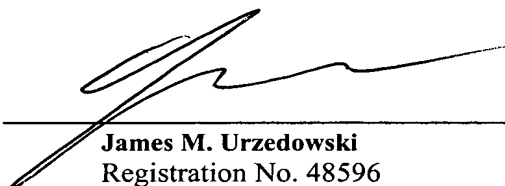
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Applicant authorizes the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to charge all required extension of time fees that have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

Respectfully submitted,
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Date: July 8, 2002

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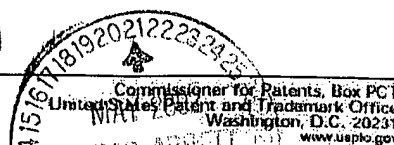


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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Priority Document
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Request for Immediate Examination

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- \$130 Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) is required.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity:

- **\$130** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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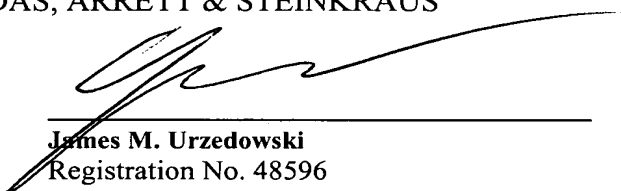
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